

ASSUMPTION COLLEGIAN

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ORDINATION OF FATHER BENSON.

In the beautiful new Chapel of the Sacred Heart Convent, Detroit, last Sunday morning Mr. Benson was ordained to the Priest-hood. Amidst all the impressive ceremonies of the wonderful Catholic Ritual, Bishop Galligher conferred that High Sacrament of Holy Orders on Mr. Benson with all the magnificence of his power. The ceremonies were capably directed by Rev. Father Command. The Chapel of the Convent was crowded with nuns and people from all over Detroit together with students from the Seminary and many from Assumption.

Headed by the masters from the College, who were followed by the many priests who were able to attend, although it was Sunday morning, the Bishop, in his Pontifical Robes proceeded to the Altar where the Ordination took place.

After vesting, the Bishop said Mass as far as the Offertory. Then Mr. Benson, without the Chasuble came forward to the foot of the Altar and lay prostrate there while the Bishop prayed over him and the choir sang the Litany of the Saints. Then his hands were anointed and bound. After going to have them unbound and returning Father Benson then knelt at the foot of the Altar and accompanied the Bishop in the saying of Mass. When the Mass was over, the Bishop spoke in an impressive manner of the great dignity and duties of a spiritual Father. After the Bishop had left the Chapel, Father Benson gave his blessing to all present. The boys from the College and the Seminary were invited to the refectory and treated to ice-cream, cake, and coffee, served as only the Sisters know how to serve it.

On Tuesday morning at 9:00 o'clock Father Benson celebrated Mass in the College Chapel for the Priests, masters, and students of the College. Father Muckle preached a wonderful sermon on the Priest-hood, in which he depicted the great dignity to which the priest is raised, the Divine Power he receives as Mediator between God and man, and a priest's high duties in addition to the offering of the Mass which is the greatest act that a man can perform. Father Benson at the conclusion of Mass, gave his blessing to all the students.

At dinner, after enjoying Father Benson's treat of ice-cream, he gave the students the pleasure of a short talk which included one of his inimitable Irish stories.

MISSION SOCIETY MEETING.

A meeting of the St. Francis Xavier's Foreign Mission Society will be held in the library tonight, or to-morrow evening as the next program has been prepared for this meeting. All the members are urged to attend.

Owing to the absence of many of the members at Father Benson's Ordination, no meeting of the Blessed Virgin Sodality was held last Sunday. The second semi annual reception of new members is to be held about May 1st and all students who wish to join the Sodality are asked to hand their names to one of the officers, that they may be placed on probation. The regular meeting will be held next Sunday and all members and prospective members are expected to be in attendance.

BASE BALL SEASON OPENS.

Base ball was formally inaugurated last week by Manager Jacques with about twenty five candidates reporting for practice. So far, the weather and the condition of the playing field have not admitted of much sound practice, and the manager has still a very limited line on the new players. However, the present aspect is very pleasing and the infield gives promise of being one of the best in recent years. Dick Noon, last year's short stop, seems to have improved considerably; both in fielding and in throwing, and his batting ability is better than in the past. Mr. O'Brien, last year with St. Michael's Nine of Toronto and generally rated as one of the best ball players of that vicinity, is almost certain to guard the key-stone cushion as a regular. On first, there is opposition between 'Big Charlie' Sullivan and Nelson Zott, who is a star in every thing he plays. Zott at present seems to have the edge on the Big Fellow in fielding but scarcely in batting. As a candidate for the semi final sack, Mr. Jacques thinks he has a real find in Sylvester Grates. This promising ball player was last year star third sacker for the Kinds Club, pennant winners of the Huron County League, in Michigan, and much is expected of him as a member of the Purple and White infield. 'Shag' Shanesey and Mr. Sheehan, the old reliable, will likely divide labor behind the plate. Father Spratt and Ramie Durand will scarcely be beaten out of their position as moundsmen. The outfield as yet is quite undecided except for the district traversed by Mr. Jacques. Other players trying for positions on this year's nine includes:- Tom Ryan, Walt McKenna, Frank Coyne, Ray Buhl, Tom O'Shea, John McMillan, Tom Brady, Mr. Lowrey, Tourangeau, Joe Marcero, Andy McGuire, and Frank Latcham. Mr. Jacques has scheduled a game for Sunday with the Windsor Tigers, and thus a better knowledge of the players will be available.

Tuesday night, in a post season tilt, the Taj Kuns Basket Ball Team trimmed the Windsor Norwoods 23-16.

ANNUAL HAND BALL TOURNAMENT.

The annual intramural hand ball tournament is now underway and several games have already been played. Some very keen contests have been staged, and the teams as a whole are rather evenly matched. The standings to date are as follows:-

Class	Played	Won	Lost
Philosophy	3	3	0
Arts II	2	2	0
Third Year	2	2	0
Arts I	1	1	0
Fourth Year	3	1	2
First Year	3	0	3
Second Year	4	0	4

Schedule for the remaining games in the tournament is as follows:-

April 6th, at 3:30 7th Year plays 3rd Year; at 4:00 4th Year plays 5th year. April 7th, at 3:30 5th year plays 3rd year; at 4:00 6th year plays 1st year. April 9th, after High Mass 2nd year plays 1st year; after dinner 6th year plays 5th year; at 2:45 4th year plays 3rd year. April 10th, at 3:30 6th year plays 3rd year, 5th Year plays 7th year, and 4th plays 2nd year. April 11th at 3:30 5th Year plays 1st year; 7th year plays 6th year.

Oh save us from the egg who likes,
Bue never buys his lucky strikes.

WISE CRACKS.

Fr. Donovan: "Decline 'heims'"
 Marientette: "Heims,- hiis,- hiis,- hehas,-"
 Fr. Donovan: "Hee Haw, shut up".

Rocheleau: "He took a hammer and cracked the egg".
 Fr. Plomer: "You shouldn't talk of nut-crackers in the presence of so much squirrel food".

Fr. Muckle: (To Mugan and McCue, playing cards) "Give me that deck! What do you think this is, a boat?"

Murray: "Out in Chicago they are feeding the children sheep glands".

Van Horn: "The poor kids may get fleeced".

Fr. Plourde: "Is a child as important as an adult?"

Pat Brown: "No, Father".

Ham Redmond: "Children should be seen and not heard".

Fr. Plourde: "You are correct. Please be quiet".

First Roach: (On Nabisco box) Whats your hurry?

Second Roach: "Dont you see that sign- Tare along this edge".

There are two ways to win a girl. One way is to spend money on her. So is the other. (Contributed by John O'Neil).

Mr. Babe Ruth, he goes down south,
 To knock his home run in,
 While Father Coughlin in our Fourth Year,
 Knocks his Homer in.

----Rusty Chisholm.

Fr Sharpe: "What is the type verb in Greek?"

Bill Hogan: "I dont know, Father".

Fr. Sharpe: "Say Bill, are you trying to forget this Greek?"

Bill Hogan: "No Father, you cannot forget anything you haven't learned".

Famous sayings of famous men:- "Well Donlon, have you your work done to-day?"

'Doc' Beasley broke his Lenten Resolution the other evening so they say- seventy three miles per hour.

Fr. Donovan: "I talk to you until I am almost worn to a frazzle"

Marchand: "Why not close up for repairs?"

More famous words:- "Get both your front feet on the floor now George and read this in your best voice".

Landlady: "I dont allow any games of chance here".

Hayes: "This isn't that sort of game. My friend here hasn't a chance".

Mr. O'Brien: "Justin, if it takes 250 yds. of calico to make a apir of suspenders for the elephant, how long will it take a grass hopper with a wooden leg to pick a hole thru a pickle?"

LIGHTS OUT!

Plunged into darkness by the havoc which last week's storm wrought on the wires of the Hydro Company throughout Western Ontario, the College on last Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights, resembled and institution of learning in the days of our grandfathers. The novelty of the occasion and the dispensation from study made it an enjoyable experience for the students, but we were all more or less glad to welcome our old friend 'Juice' back on Sunday evening. Most of us are still vainly trying to eradicate the candle grease from our clothes, books, and other personal belongings.

The semi-finals in the chess and checker tournament were completed last Saturday, and the finals will be played off this week. Those who have qualified for the finals are:- Bill Nigh, Jim Fallon, Lajeunesse, Coughlin, Pat Brown, McMillan, Bill Nachazel, Ken Cook, and Hennes. Nachazel and Hennes are also leading in Chess.

They met on the bridge at midnight,
But they'll never meet again;
For one was an east bound heifer,
The other a west bound train.

Phelan: Have you kept your New Year resolution?
Zott: Only one-not to drink coffee at breakfast.
Bill: Doctors orders?
Nelse: No, but I cannot sleep through 8:00 o'clock study if
I drink it.

LaFrance: I asked her if I could see her home.
Freitas: And what did she say?
LaFrance: She said she'd send me a photo of it.

Fr. Rogers: (In Chemistry) Nick, what does A stand for?
Nick Pollard: Just a minute Father, I've got it on the end of
my tongue.
Fr. Rogers: Well spit it out, it is arsenic.

Charlie Mahoney: Why didn't you answer my letter?
She: I never received it.
Charlie: You didn't?
She: No, and besides I didn't like some of the things
you said in it.

There was a young lady named Maud,
A very deceptive young fraud.
She never was able
To eat at the table
But out in the pantry, Oh Lawd,

Krave: A horse just skidded around that corner.
Cameron: But horses cant skid.
Krave: This one was tired.

The Rhetoricians say that this is bum logic:-
"American women are beautiful" (Headline in Paris News Paper)
Mabel is an American Woman.
But hanged if Mabel is beautiful.

A friendly tip to all poor blokes
Who seek their teacher's favor,
Laugh loud and long at all his jokes,
No matter how stale the flavor.